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JUMP! WE'LL
BE BLOWN
TO BITS!**

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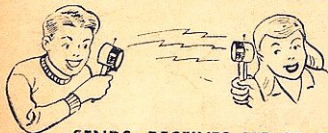
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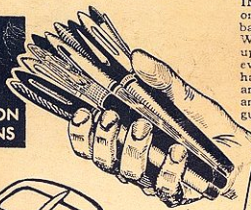


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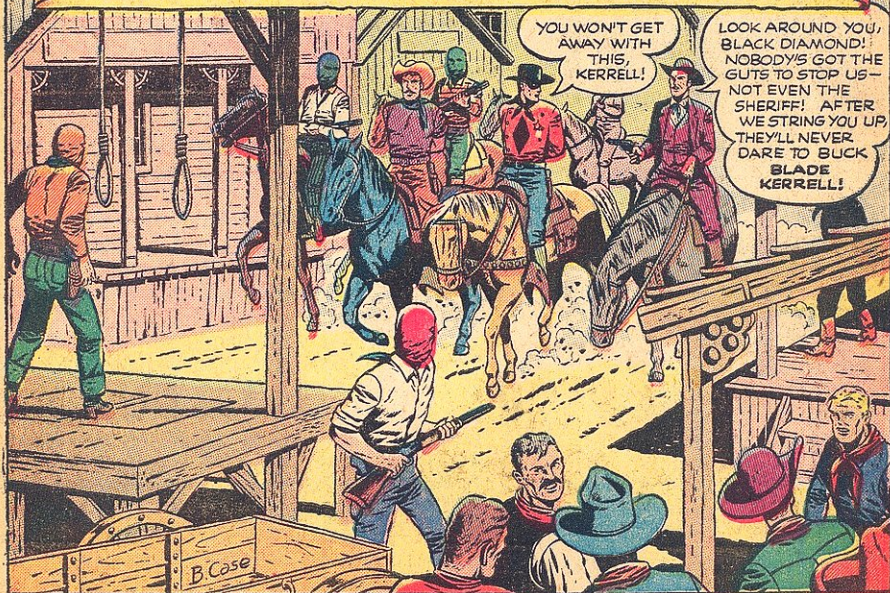
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IN "THE TREACHEROUS RAILROAD WAR"

IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE WEST, THE COMING OF THE RAILROAD TO A SETTLEMENT BROUGHT MANY ADVANTAGES... MORE SUPPLIES, NEW BUSINESS, AND A CERTAIN RESPECTABILITY; THAT BREED LAW AND ORDER! TO CERTAIN MEN, WHO PROFITED FROM LAWLESSNESS, THE RAILROAD MEANT AN END TO THEIR DISHONEST EMPIRE, AND THEY FOUGHT IT IN EVERY WAY THEY KNEW! SUCH A MAN WAS BLADE KERRELL!



YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, KERRELL!

LOOK AROUND YOU, BLACK DIAMOND! NOBODY'S GOT THE GUTS TO STOP US—NOT EVEN THE SHERIFF! AFTER WE STRING YOU UP, THEY'LL NEVER DARE TO BUCK BLADE KERRELL!

MARCH 31ST, 1874, ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF BRADTOWN WHERE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILROAD BRIDGE IS IN PROGRESS...

MEANWHILE, DOWN BELOW...



REMEMBER—KERRELL DON'T WANT ANYBODY KILLED! JUST SCARE 'EM OFF AND THEN WE'LL BLOW UP THE BRIDGE!

HOW LONG DO YOU RECKON IT'LL TAKE TO FINISH THE BRIDGE, MR. STOKES!

LESS'N A WEEK IF THE WEATHER HOLDS... LOOK! THOSE HOODED MEN! THEY'RE FIRIN' AT US!



THE FOLLOWING DAY STOKES PAYS A VISIT TO THE SHERIFF...



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STOKES, FURIOUS, RUSHES TO THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE...

PLEASE GET THIS OFF TO THE NEAREST U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE RIGHT AWAY!

THE NEAREST ONE IS THE BLACK DIAMOND! YOU'LL GET ACTION FROM HIM!

WHAT'S OUR FIRST MOVE, DIAMOND?

WE'D BETTER SEE THE SHERIFF FIRST, BUMPER! I'D LIKE TO GET HIS VERSION OF THIS BEFORE WE TALK TO STOKES!



I'M A U.S. MARSHAL, SHERIFF GATES! I UNDERSTAND YOU HAD A LITTLE RUN IN WITH SOME HOODED MEN YESTERDAY!

I... UH... WASN'T THERE, MARSHAL! YOU'D BETTER TALK TO TOM STOKES... AT THE JAQUITO HOTEL - DOWN THAT WAY!



...AND THAT'S IT! SOMEBODY WANTS TO KEEP THAT BRIDGE FROM BEING BUILT, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHO!

THAT SHOULDN'T BE TOO HARD TO FIND OUT! FIRST WE'D BETTER GET WORK STARTED ON THE BRIDGE! WE CAN'T LET THESE MEN THINK THEY'VE LUCKED US!



WHAT DO YOU THINK, SAM?

CAN'T HURT TO HEAR HIM OUT!

IT WON'T WORK! I KNOW THESE PEOPLE!



I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU HOW IMPORTANT THIS RAILROAD WILL BE TO EACH OF YOU! WE NEED MEN AT ONCE! I PROMISE THAT ALL WORKERS WILL BE FULLY PROTECTED AT ALL TIMES!

YEAH, SAYS YOU! I AIN'T RISKIN' MY LIFE FOR NO CRUMMY RAILROAD!

YOU SAID IT!



YOU RISKED YOUR LIVES WHEN YOU GAME OUT HERE TO BUILD NEW HOMES FOR YOURSELVES! YOU'VE GOT TO RISK YOUR LIVES TO DEFEND THEM! IF YOU LET THE HOODED MEN GET AWAY WITH THIS, THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT THEY'LL TRY NEXT!

THE MARSHAL'S RIGHT!



I'LL WORK!

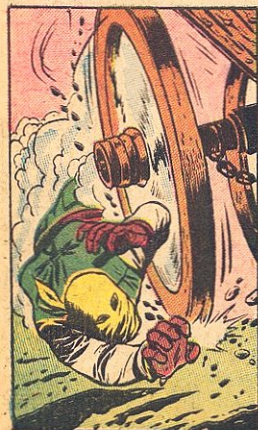
FINE! WE'LL START WORK IN THE MORNIN'!

COUNT ME IN!

KERRELL'S GONNA WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THIS!



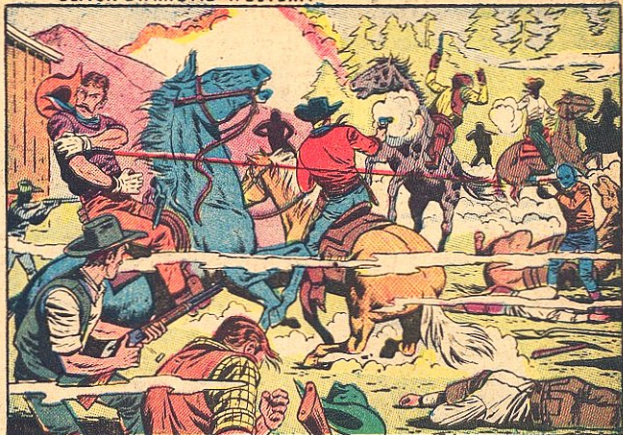
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C'MON, BOYS—
GET YOUR
GUNS OUT AND
BLAST 'EM!

I HOPE WE
CAN HOLD
'EM OFF,
DIAMOND!



THAT SHOULD LEARN 'EM!
LET'S GET BACK, MEN!
NOBODY'S GONNA WORK
ON THAT BRIDGE
AFTER THIS!



IT'S JUST A
FLESH
WOUND,
DIAMOND!

THIS'LL HOLD FOR A WHILE
C'MON, I WANT TO GET THE
MEN THAT WERE KILLED INTO TOWN
AND FIND OUT WHO THEY
ARE! THE REST OF THE
MEN CAN TAKE CARE OF
THEIR WOUNDED!



THESE MEN HAD
ATTACKED THE BRIDGE,
SHERIFF! DO YOU
KNOW 'EM?

UH...NO!
NO, I DON'T
MARSHAL!

HEY—I
KNOW THEM,
DIAMOND!



SHUT UP,
PARKS!

I AIN'T
SCARED OF
TALKIN',
SHERIFF!
THEY'RE BLADE
KERRELL'S MEN,
DIAMOND! YOU'LL
FIND HIM IN
THE LONE STAR
SALOON!

WHO'S
BLADE
KERRELL?



HE OWNS THE SALOON AND
THE GAMBLIN' HOUSE, AND A
LOT MORE THAT FOLKS DON'T
TALK ABOUT! IF ANYBODY
STANDS TO GAIN BY KEEPIN'
LAW AND ORDER OUT OF
SAN JAQUITO, IT'S HIM!

THANKS, PARKS!
TAKE CARE OF
THOSE CORSES! I'M
PAYING A CALL ON
KERRELL! GET THAT
ARM FIXED,
BUMPER!

NOT ON
YOUR LIFE!
I'M COMIN'
WITH YOU!

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AS BUMPER AND DIAMOND WALK INTO THE SALOON...



HEY, KERRELL! IT'S THE MARSHAL!

DON'T FLY OFF THE HANDLE, TOBY! LET'S SEE WHAT HE WANTS!

I'M HONORED, MARSHAL! WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU!

THIS ISN'T A SOCIAL CALL, KERRELL! WE WERE FIRED UP ON BY HOODED MEN, AND WE KILLED THREE OF THEM! THEY ALL WORK FOR YOU! WHAT ABOUT IT!

LOTS OF MEN HAVE WORKED FOR ME, DIAMOND! I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THESE HOODED MEN YOU CLAIM YOU SAW!

LOOK, KERRELL, YOU'RE THE ONLY MAN IN THIS TOWN WHO STANDS TO GAIN BY KEEPING THE RAILROAD FROM GOING THROUGH, AND YOU'RE THE ONLY MAN WITH ENOUGH POWER TO ORGANIZE THESE ATTACKS!

I DON'T GET YOU, DIAMOND!

I JUST WANTED TO GET MY OPINION OF KERRELL AND I THINK WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK! TWO OF THOSE MEN HAD BEEN SHOT INCLUDING THAT NERVOUS HOMBRE SITTING WITH KERRELL! WE'RE BREAKING IN TONIGHT TO LOOK FOR THE PROOF WE NEED!

THAT EVENING...

SEE ANYTHING, DIAMOND?

THERE'S A SMALL ARSENAL ON THE WALL... BUT THAT DOESN'T PROVE MUCH! I'LL TRY THE DESK!



WHY YOU...

UNLESS YOU'VE GOT PROOF OF THESE LYIN' ACCUSATIONS, MARSHAL... GET OUT!

HOLD IT, BUMPER! HE'S WITHIN HIS RIGHTS! LET'S GO! BE SEEING YOU, KERRELL!



HEY! THOSE ARE THE HOODS!

THIS IS ENOUGH TO ARREST KERRELL, AND IT SHOULDN'T BE HARD TO PROVE THE REST!



HEY, DIAMOND! WATCH IT!

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, MARSHAL!

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HURRY, BUMPER! OUT THE WINDOW! THIS PLACE'LL BE CRAWLING WITH KERRELL'S MEN IN NO TIME!



I RECKON YUH DON'T KNOW HOW BIG KERRELL IS IN THIS TOWN! YOU'RE GONNA LEARN—THE HARD WAY!



BUMPER! STAY AWAY FROM YOUR GUNS, MARSHAL! I DON'T WANT TO SHOOT—UNLESS I HAVE TO!

WHAT?



AIN'T YOU GONNA KILL 'EM, KERRELL?

I APPRECIATE YOUR IMPATIENCE, TOBY, BUT I HAVE A BETTER PLAN! I WANT TO SHOW THE PEOPLE OF THIS TOWN THAT WE'RE STRONG ENOUGH TO HANDLE ANYBODY...EVEN A U.S. MARSHAL! WE'RE GOING TO HANG THEM TOMORROW MORNING!



THE NEXT MORNING...

I STILL THINK THIS IS A LOUSY IDEA!



WHEN I WANT YOUR ADVICE, TOBY, I'LL ASK FOR IT!

RIDE SLOWLY SO EVERYONE CAN SEE IT! LET'S GO!



SHERIFF! THEY'RE GONNA HANG THE MARSHAL IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE!

WE CAN'T LET THIS HAPPEN!

WHAT CAN WE DO, PARKS? THERE'S ONLY TWO OF US!



I SHOULD'VE KNOWN YOU'D BE TOO SCARED TO HELP! I'M NOT STANDIN' BY AND LETTIN' 'EM HANG A U.S. MARSHAL!

PARKS! COME BACK! YOU'LL JUST GET YOURSELF KILLED!



ANOTHER CRAZY FOOL! WHEN SOMETHING'S TOO BIG TO FIGHT, DON'T THEY KNOW THEY'RE LICKED?

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HAVE THEY HANGED THE MARSHAL AND BUMPER YET, OLD-TIMER?

NAW—THEY'RE IN FRONT OF THE HOTEL... YOU AIN'T FIXIN' TO TRY AN' STOP 'EM, ARE YOU, JACK? THEY'LL BLAST YOU IN NO TIME!

YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, KERRELL! THE WHOLE U.S. ARMY WILL BE AFTER YOU!

I'M AFRAID THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO HELP YOU, MARSHAL! I'LL TAKE MY CHANCES!

SUDDENLY A SHOT RINGS OUT...

UGHH!

THE SHOTS ARE COMIN' FROM THAT ALLEY! SHOOT HIM DOWN! WHAT A BREAK! THIS WAY, BUMPER!

HERE, BUMPER—SAW YOUR ROPES ON THE BROKEN GLASS!

THERE GOES THE SKUNK DOWN THAT ALLEY! HEY, KERRELL—THE MARSHAL AN' HIS PALVE ESCAPED!

WE CAN GET GUNS AT THE JAIL! O'MON, BUMPER! LET'S GO!

ONE MORE SECOND, DIAMOND... THERE! THAT DOES IT!

LOOK, KERRELL! MARSHAL AND HIS BUDDY'RE BREAKIN' INTO THE JAIL!

WHAT? GET AFTER THEM!

TOBY, GET THE DYNAMITE! THE REST COVER ALL THE EXITS! WE'LL BLOW 'EM OUTTA THERE!

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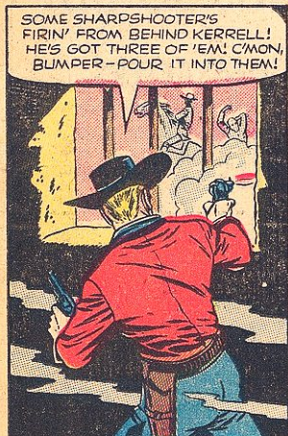
STAY LOW, BUMPER!
WE'D BE CUT IN
TWO IF WE RAISED
OUR HEADS!

I CHECKED THE
BACK ENTRANCE!
IT'S COVERED,
TOO!

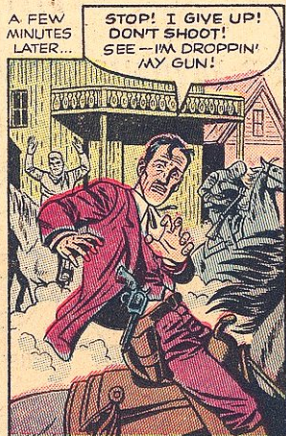


JUST THEN SHOTS
RANG OUT FROM
THE ALLEY!

I RECKON YOU WENT
TOO FAR THIS TIME,
KERRELL!



SOME SHARPSHOOTER'S
FIRIN' FROM BEHIND KERRELL!
HE'S GOT THREE OF 'EM! C'MON,
BUMPER—POUR IT INTO THEM!



A FEW
MINUTES
LATER...

STOP! I GIVE UP!
DON'T SHOOT!
SEE—I'M DROPPIN'
MY GUN!



D. DON'T
SHOOT!

STAY THERE WITH YOUR
ARMS HIGH! YOU YELLOW
COYOTE!

TIE UP
KERRELL, BUMPER!
THE MAN WHO SAVED
US IS HURT! HEY—
IT'S THE SHERIFF!



NOW, TAKE
IT EASY,
SHERIFF!

I...OWED YOU THIS...
MARSHAL...OWED
IT...TO...MYSELF...
TOO...LONG...I LET
KERRELL...PUSH
ME AROUND...
TOO...LONG...



A...AND
I'M GLAD
IT TURNED
OUT...THIS
W. WAY...
OH!!

HEY, DIAMOND!
HERE'S DEPUTY PARKS!
I DON'T THINK HE'S
HURT TOO BAD!

HE'S THE SHERIFF NOW,
BUMPER!
THIS MAN IS
DEAD!



LATER...

GOSH,
THANKS
A LOT,
MARSHAL!

DON'T
THANK ME,
SHERIFF!
PARKS!
YOU AND
SHERIFF
GATES SAVED
OUR NECKS!

THIS TOWN
SHOULD BE
RIGHT
GRATEFUL
TO YOU!
AND GIVE
KERRELL
WHAT'S
COMING
TO HIM!

THE END

**WIN
FREE**

**THIS CUTE PEDIGREED PUPPY!
OR ITS VALUE IN CASH!**



IT'S EASY! JUST TWO THINGS TO DO!

- 1 CHOOSE YOUR 3 FAVORITE COMIC CHARACTERS.**
- 2 WRITE THE REASON YOU LIKE ONE BEST IN TWENTY-FIVE WORDS OR LESS.**

CUT HERE

CHECK THREE



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GRUESOME JONES



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WESTERN ODDITIES

JIM MURPHY WHO OPERATED THE "EL DORADO" SALOON IN COLUMBIA, CALIFORNIA DURING THE DAYS OF THE GOLD RUSH, SPECIFIED THAT BARTENDERS EMPLOYED BY HIM, HAD TO HAVE BIG HANDS AND LARGE THUMBS. THE REASON FOR THIS STRANGE EMPLOYMENT REQUISITE WAS THE FACT THAT THE PREVAILING PRICE FOR DRINKS WAS A PINCH OF GOLD DUST. THE MORE DUST A BARTENDER COULD PINCH, THE MORE PROFIT THE SALOON MADE. ONE OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE "EL DORADO" HAD SUCH WORTH-WHILE THUMBS THAT HE WAS PAID \$200 A WEEK TO TAKE CARE OF THE BAR AND WAIT ON CUSTOMERS.

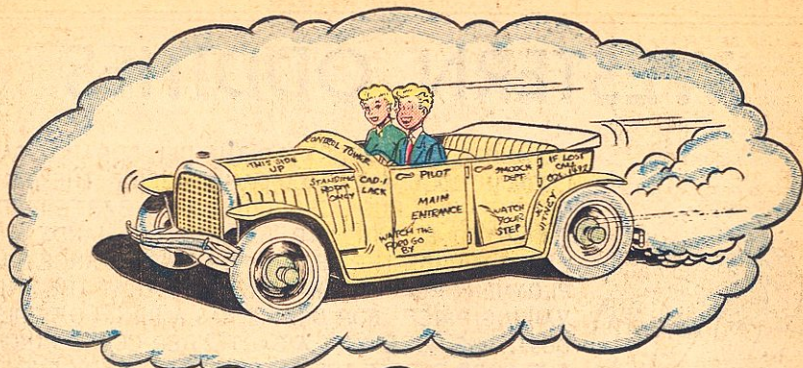


ONE OF THE STRANGEST MEMORIALS IN EXISTENCE AT THE PRESENT TIME, IS ONE DEDICATED TO "PRUNES", A BURRO THAT DIED IN 1939 AT THE AGE OF 63. THE FAITHFUL ANIMAL WAS INTERRED ON THE MAIN STREET OF THE MINING TOWN OF FAIRPLAY, COLORADO, AND A MONUMENT BUILT OF STONES FROM ALL THE MINES WHERE HE WORKED, WAS ERECTED OVER HIS FINAL RESTING PLACE. THE LAST WISH OF RUPE SHERWOOD, THE PROSPECTOR WHO OWNED THE BURRO, WAS THAT HE BE BURIED NEAR "PRUNES". A REQUEST THAT WAS GRANTED.



A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF THE HEROIC DEEDS OFTEN PERFORMED BY BRAVE FRONTIERSMEN OF THE OLD WEST, WAS THE FEAT OF JOHN (PORTUGEE) PHILLIPS, A GUIDE STATIONED AT FORT PHIL KEARNY IN WYOMING. WHEN A LARGE FORCE OF SIOUX INDIANS ATTACKED THE FORT DURING THE BITTER WINTER OF 1866, PHILLIPS VOLUNTEERED TO GO THROUGH THE INDIAN LINES IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN AID FROM FORT LARAMIE, 236 MILES DISTANT. HE LEFT THE FORT AT MIDNIGHT DURING A RAGING BLIZ-

ZARD WITH TEMPERATURES OF 25 DEGREES BELOW ZERO, AND RODE THROUGH THE NIGHT TOWARDS HIS DESTINATION. NEAR MIDNIGHT OF CHRISTMAS EVE, 2 DAYS LATER, PHILLIPS RODE INTO FORT LARAMIE, FROZEN AND EXHAUSTED. HIS HORSE DROPPED DEAD AT HIS FEET. HOWEVER, HE HAD ACCOMPLISHED HIS MISSION AND RELIEF WAS BROUGHT TO THE BESIEGED FORT BEFORE THE SIOUX WERE ABLE TO RENEW THEIR ATTACK.



WHY
DREAM
ABOUT
FUN...

...WHEN
YOU CAN
HAVE
IT...



BY READING **DILLY COMICS**,
STARRING **DILLY DUNCAN**, AMERICA'S
FUNNIEST SCHOOL HERO!

ASK FOR IT ON YOUR NEWSSTAND!
IT'S BETTER THAN A DAYDREAM!

IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT ENOUGH FOR AN INEXPERIENCED YOUNG EASTERNER LIKE BUCK ROPER TO BREAK INTO THE SMALL CIRCLE OF PROFESSIONAL RODEO RIDERS, BUT IT BECOMES NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE WHEN ONE OF THE RIDERS IS DETERMINED TO SEE THAT HE FAILS!

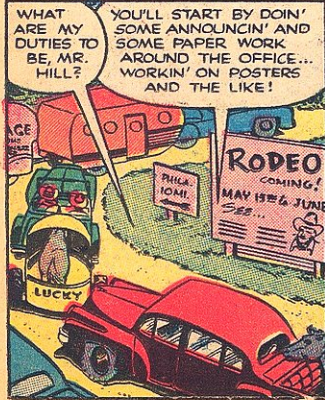
BUCK ROPER

in

'FURY OF THE WILD BRAHMA'



AS THE HILL RODEO APPROACHES PHILADELPHIA, BUCK ROPER LITTLE SUSPECTS WHAT IS IN STORE FOR HIM...

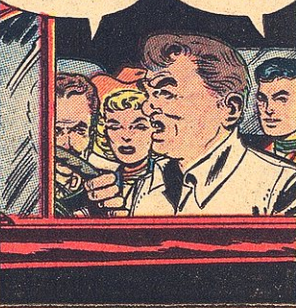


AN' AS SOON AS THAT LITTLE FILLY TEACHES YOU SOME TRICKS, WE'RE GONNA WORK OUT AN ACT WHERE YOU DO SOME SINGIN' AND FANCY RIDIN'!

THAT SOUNDS OKAY, BUT I WANT TO COMPETE IN THE EVENTS, TOO! THE PROFESSOR TAUGHT ME A LOT!

YOU'LL HAFTA FORGET ABOUT RIDIN' FOR THE PRESENT, SON! YOU GOTTA LEARN SOME MORE 'FORE YOU START TRYIN' TO BREAK YOUR NECK!

YOU'RE THE BOSS, MR. HILL! ANYTHING YOU SAY GOES WITH ME!





Y'KNOW, IT'S SHORE FUNNY: AN OLD BUZZARD LIKE HOTFOOT'S GOT AN EXCUSE FER NOT RIDIN' IN THE EVENTS, AND DIXIE HERE'S A GIRL, BUT HOW'D YOU FIGURE A YOUNG FELLA BEIN' ON THE PAYROLL WHEN HE CAN'T EVEN SIT ON A HORSE!



SO I'M AN OLD BUZZARD, EH?

NO DOUBT YOUR REFERRING TO ME, EH, MONTY?

SHUCKS—THAT DOES SOUND LIKE YOU, DON'T IT?

WHY DON'T YOU LAY OFF OF BUCK, MONTY?



QUIT RIDIN' ME, MONTY! I WANT TO COMPETE JUST AS MUCH AS ANY OF YOU!

IF YOU WANNA START SOMETHIN' WITH ME I'M SURE WILLIN'!

DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO HIM, BUCK! HE'S JUST TRYIN' TO CAUSE TROUBLE!

I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT UNLESS YOU FORCE ME! JUST GET OFF MY BACK!

OKAY, PAL! DIDN'T KNOW YOU WAS SO SENSITIVE!



HEY! WHAT TH...

HA! HA! HE THINKS HE CAN RIDE—HE CAN'T EVEN WALK!



WHY, YOU LOUSY LITTLE PUNK! I OUGHTA TEAR YOU APART!

I'M SHORE SORRY, MONTY! I WAS JEST, PRACTICIN' A LITTLE 'ROPIN'! YOU JEST DIDN'T LOOK WHERE YOU WERE GOIN'!



YOU AIN'T HURT NONE, ARE YUH?

AAGHH!

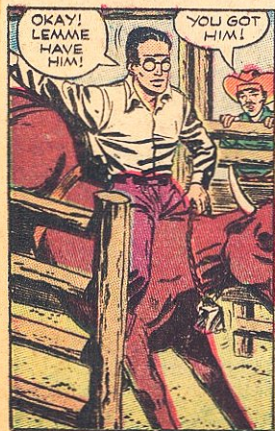
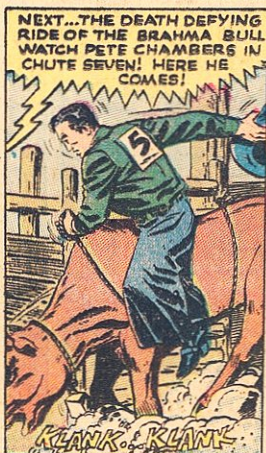
C'MON, BUCK! I'LL SHOW YOU A FEW TRICKS!



YOU COME IN LIKE THIS... CARRYING THE GUITAR, AND... HEY, BUCK!

HUM? I'M SORRY, DIXIE! I WAS JUST WISHING I COULD COMPETE LIKE THAT FELLOW!

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EEFAAGH...



BUCK! COME BACK! THAT'S NOT YOUR JOB! YOU'LL GET HURT!

I'M THE NEAREST TO HIM, DIXIE!



C'MON, YOU FLAT-HEADED SIRLOIN! YAAHHH... YAAHHH...



C'MON, CHARGE! COME AND GET ME!

HURRY UP! THAT KID DON'T KNOW NOTHIN' ABOUT THESE BULLS!



THE INEXPERIENCED BUCK CANNOT AVOID THE FIERCE BRAHMA'S HORNS!



YOU WERE WONDERFUL, BUCK!

HOW'S HOTFOOT?

HOW DO YOU FEEL, SON?

I'M NOT HURT BAD! JUST A SCRATCH!



JUST A FEW STITCHES AND HE'LL BE AS GOOD AS NEW!

I RECKON I'M TOO MEAN TO DIE! THANKS, BUCK—YOU SAVED MY LIFE!



I DONE THAT A HUNDRED TIMES AN' NOBODY EVER THOUGHT I WAS A BLASTED HERO!

AS YOU'RE SO ALL FIRED SET ON COMPETING, YOU CAN BE IN THE PONY EXPRESS RACE TOMORROW NIGHT!

SWELL!

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YOU WORK WITH A THREE-MAN TEAM! THE FIRST MAN RIDES OUT AROUND THOSE BARRELS, AND BACK! THE NEXT ONE TAKES OFF THE SADDLE, PUTS IT ON A FRESH HORSE, AND REPEATS THE RIDE! THE NEXT DOES THE SAME THING!



I GET IT, MR. HILL!

THEY USE SPECIAL SADDLES WITH ONLY ONE BUCKLE HOLDING 'EM ON, SO YOU CAN CHANGE 'EM IN A HURRY! YOU'LL BE RIDIN' THE SECOND HORSE — BLUE FLAME! GOT ANY QUESTIONS?



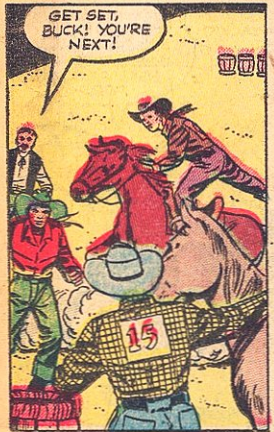
NO!

BLUE FLAME, HUH? THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!

THAT NIGHT... CLEAR THE AREA FOR THE PONY EXPRESS RACE!



STEADY, THERE, BOY!
THE TAPES WILL HOLD THIS TACK TILL ROPER THROWS THE SADDLE ON! THEN... WATCH OUT!



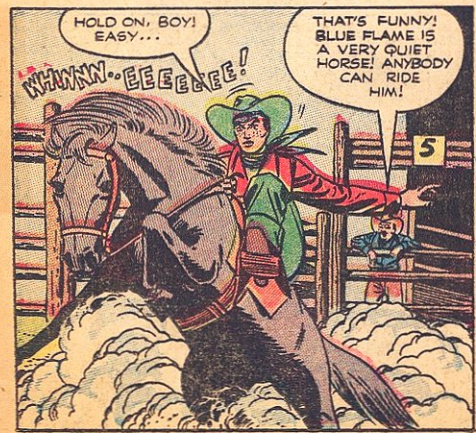
GET SET, BUCK! YOU'RE NEXT!



HURRY UP, BOY! THIS IS WHAT YOU'VE GOTTA PICK UP TIME!



BLUE FLAME! I'VE ALMOST GOT IT! EASY, BOY... EASY...



HOLD ON, BOY! EASY...

WHINN... EEEEEE!

THAT'S FUNNY! BLUE FLAME IS A VERY QUIET HORSE! ANYBODY CAN RIDE HIM!

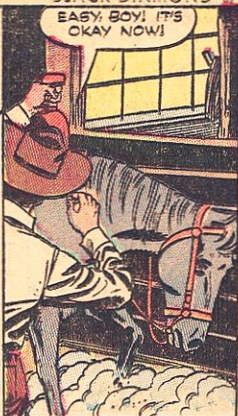


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DON'T WORRY, BUCK! EVERYBODY GETS THROWN ONCE IN A WHILE!

NOT BY A HORSE THAT'S ALREADY BROKE! LEAVE ME ALONE! I DON'T WANT ANY MORE SYMPATHY FROM ANYBODY!



EASY, BOY! IT'S OKAY NOW!



THAT'S SURE PECULIAR! BLUE FLAME HASN'T DONE THAT FOR YEARS!

I RECKON HE CAN SPOT A COWARD WHEN HE SEES ONE... SAME AS ANYBODY ELSE!



WHY THAT MANGY...

HOLD IT, HOTFOOT! MONTY LOOKS TOO PLEAS'D WITH HIMSELF TO SUIT ME! LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT THAT HORSE!



HIS HOOPS LOOK OKAY!

HELL! THERE'S A SORE ON HIS BACK... LIKE SOMETHIN' WAS STUCK UNDER HIS SADDLE!

LET'S LOOK AT MONTY'S GEAR... MEBBE WE'LL FIND SOMETHIN' INTERESTIN'!



THUMB-TACKS!

THAT'S IT! WE'D BETTER FIND BUCK BEFORE HE DOES SOMETHIN' HE'LL BE SORRY FOR!



WHOOEE! I DIDN'T KNOW THIS TOWN WAS SO BLAMED BIG! MEBBE WE BETTER GO BACK AND WAIT FOR HIM!

NO, WE CAN'T... LOOK! OVER THERE!



LEAVE ME ALONE! I SHOULD'VE STAYED IN NEW YORK... WHERE I BELONG! I SHOULD'VE HAD BETTER SENSE THAN TO TRY AND BE WHAT I'M NOT!

HOLD IT, BUCK! WE KNOW WHAT HAPPENED! MONTY PUT A TACK UNDER YOUR SADDLE!

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WHY, THAT... I'LL KILL HIM!

HOLD ON, NOW! WE HAVEN'T PROVEN ANYTHING YET!

C'MON, BUCK! I'VE GOT AN IDEA!



WELL, IF IT AIN'T THE PARK AVENUE COWBOY! I THOUGHT WE'D SEEN THE LAST OF YOU!

EASY, SON!



I RECKON THESE TACKS CAN COME IN HANDY JUST ONCE MORE!

YOU'D BETTER STICK TO SINGIN' AN' DRAWIN' THEM POSTERS ROPER! OUR ANIMALS ARE KINDA WILD!



YEEOWW!! WHAT'S THE IDEA?

I GUESS YOU KNOW HOW THE HORSE FELT NOW, DON'T YOU, MONTY?



WHAT'RE YOU TRYIN' TO SAY, HOTFOOT? I DIDN'T STICK THE TACK INTO THE HORSE!

HOW'D YOU KNOW, IT WAS A TACK?

NOBODY KNEW VEST HOTFOOT AND ME, AND THE GUY WHO PUT IT THERE IN THE FIRST PLACE! I RECKON THAT'S YOU, MONTY!

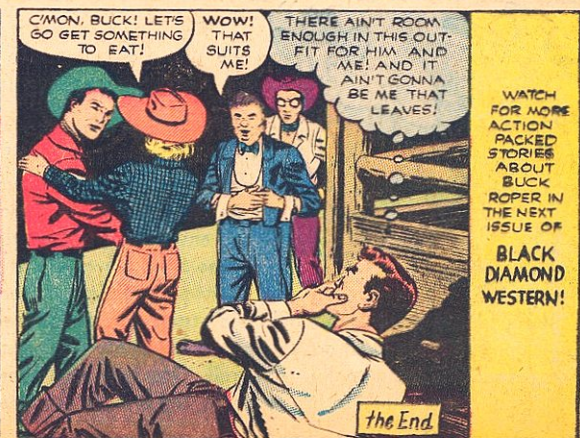


WAIT A MINUTE! I... AAAGHH!

YOU CHEAP, LOUSY CROOK!



HOLD IT, BUCK! HE'S HAD ENOUGH!



C'MON, BUCK! LETS GO GET SOMETHING TO EAT!

WOW! THAT SUITS ME!

THERE AIN'T ROOM ENOUGH IN THIS OUTFIT FOR HIM AND ME! AND IT AIN'T GONNA BE ME THAT LEAVES!

WATCH FOR MORE ACTION PACKED STORIES ABOUT BUCK ROPER IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF

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the End.

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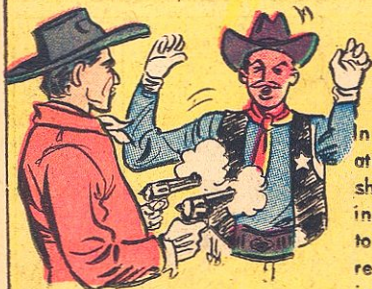
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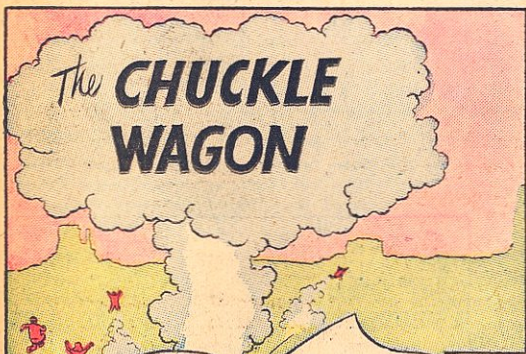
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meets

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LATE ONE AFTERNOON IN INDIAN SUMMER, AS A STAGECOACH APPROACHED THE LAST LEG OF ITS JOURNEY CARRYING RED FIRE...

IT'S ILLEGAL FOR THEM TO KILL FOLKS, BUT THAT AIN'T STOPPIN' 'EM!

ARE THOSE INDIANS CRAZY? THEY'VE NOTHING TO GAIN BY ATTACKING US!

WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO FIRE BACK AND HOPE FOR THE BEST!



JIM! :GASP!: I'M MIT! I...

HOLD TIGHT! I'M COMING TOPSIDE TO TAKE THE REINS! WE'LL TAKE THE SHORT CUT TO TOWN!



I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT STARTED THOSE REDSKINS ON THE WAR-PATH!

HAH-H! THEY DIDNT FIND THEIR RIFLES GROWIN' ON TREES! SOME LOUSY RENEGADE MUST'VE GIVEN THEM TO 'EM!



LOOK! BAD INDIANS ATTACK STAGE-COACH!

YOU'RE RIGHT, LITTLE ELK! WE ACT QUICK! WE DRIVE THEM OFF!

GIVE THE ORDER TO ATTACK! THERE ISN'T A SECOND TO LOSE!



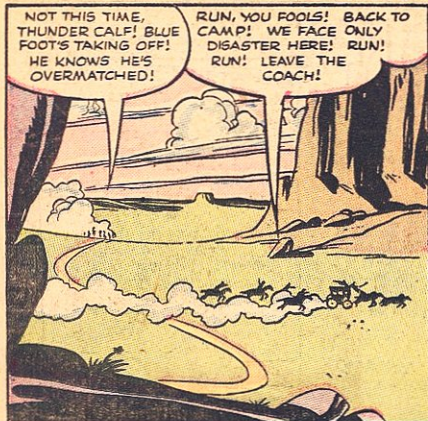
AT THAT MOMENT, LITTLE ELK, SOME INDIAN SCOUTS AND SOLDIERS APPEAR FROM THE FORT...

LOOKS LIKE YOUR INFORMATION ABOUT TRIBAL REBELLION WAS CORRECT, THUNDER CALF! BLUE FOOT HAS BROKEN THE RESERVATION LAW! HE'S TAKEN THE WARPATH! I SEE HIM IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE ATTACKERS!

BLUE FOOT IS A MADMAN-A BANDIT! HE BLACKENS THE NAME OF OUR TRIBE! BLUE FOOT MUST BE PUNISHED!



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NOT THIS TIME, THUNDER CALF! BLUE FOOT'S TAKING OFF! HE KNOWS HE'S OVERMATCHED!

RUN, YOU FOOLS! BACK TO CAMP! WE FACE ONLY DISASTER HERE! RUN! RUN! LEAVE THE COACH!



THEY'RE LEAVING THE COACH! SHALL WE PURSUE THEM?

WE CAN'T CATCH UP WITH THEM NOW! WELL LET THE ARMY HANDLE BLUE FOOT! THE POLECAT WILL RUE THE DAY HE BUSTED LOOSE!



LITTLE ELK AND HIS COMPANIONS SOON PULL UP TO THE COACH...

NOT ONLY SETTLERS FEAR BLUE FOOT, BUT ALL HONEST TRIBESMEN ARE HIS PREY!

LOOK! IT'S RED-FIRE IN THE COACH! IF WE HAD ONLY KNOWN YOU WERE ON THE STAGE, WE WOULD HAVE COME FASTER!

YOU CAME SOON ENOUGH, LITTLE ELK! THAT'S WHAT COUNTS!



WE WERE TRAILING BLUE FOOT WHEN HE HEARD THE SHOTS! BLUE FOOT HAS RENOUNCED HIS TRIBE AND RUN OFF WITH A PACK OF HOTHED FOLLOWERS!

BLUE FOOT, EH? I REMEMBER HIM WHEN I WAS ONE OF YOUR TRIBESMEN! BLUE FOOT WAS ALWAYS UP TO SOME NEW MISCHIEF OR CRIME!



HE'S GONE CRAZY NOW! BLUE FOOT WANTS TO RAID WAGON TRAINS... ATTACK RANCHES... JUST LIKE ANY BANDIT'S! GUN SELLING TO THE TRIBES IS FUTILE! THEY ONLY HELP FOOLISH BRAVES TO TURN CRIMINAL AND KILL PEACEFUL CITIZENS - BOTH INDIANS AND WHITE MEN!



SHORTLY AFTER, AS THE STAGE PULLED INTO HERRICKSBURG...

THEY SAY YOU'RE A HERO, RED-FIRE! IF YOU HADN'T TAKEN THE STAGE CROSS-COUNTRY, WE'D NEVER HAVE MET YOU IN TOWN!

THAT DOESN'T MATTER, LITTLE ELK! WE'VE GOT TO TRY AND PREVENT BLUE FOOT FROM CAUSING FURTHER TROUBLE!



LITTLE ELK! DO YOU REMEMBER AN OLDER BOY WE USED TO PLAY WITH YEARS AGO? MOON SPARK, SON OF FIRE SPARK?

BUT FIRE SPARK DESERTED TO JOIN BLUE FOOT! FIRE SPARK IS NOW BLUE FOOT'S LIEUTENANT!



THAT'S WHAT I HEARD FROM THE SCOUTS! THAT'S WHAT GAVE ME THE IDEA ABOUT MOON SPARK! WE USED TO BE FRIENDLY WITH HIM! PERHAPS HE'D TELL US WHO THE RENEGADE IS!

BUT HOW CAN WE TALK TO MOON SPARK? HE IS IN THE HILLS WITH BLUE FOOT'S BAND...AND WE ARE HERE!



SIMPLE! WE SNEAK INTO BLUE FOOT'S CAMP AND CAPTURE MOON SPARK FROM UNDER BLUE FOOT'S NOSE...TONIGHT!

: GULP! :
WHAT YOU SAY, RED-FIRE? OKAY!



CALL MOON SPARK OVER AND MAKE HIM STAND NEAR LEADING HOG'S CLIFF. THEN LEAVE THE REST TO ME!

TO YOU, AND THE GREAT SPIRIT WHO WATCHES OVER US! WE'LL NEED HIS BLESSING TO EXECUTE THIS PLAN!



STAND BY QUIET, WHITE LIGHTNING! YOUR WORK WILL COME! IF ONLY MOON SPARK DOESN'T AROUSE THE WHOLE CAMP WHEN HE SEES LITTLE ELK!

LITTLE ELK!



MEANWHILE AT BLUE FOOT'S HOLDOUT...

WHO TAPS MY SHOULDER? : GASP! : LITTLE ELK!!

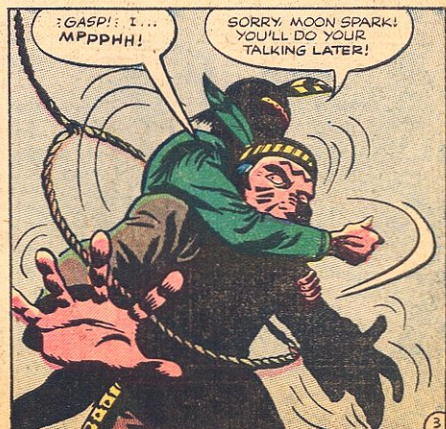
QUIET! DO NOT BETRAY ME! I COME AS A FRIEND, MOON SPARK! I WOULD TALK WITH YOU! LET US GO WHERE IT IS PRIVATE...



IF YOU HAVE COME TO CHIDE ME, LITTLE ELK, SPARE YOUR BREATH! I GO WHERE MY FATHER GOES!

NOT THIS TIME, MOON SPARK! NOT TONIGHT FOR EXAMPLE!

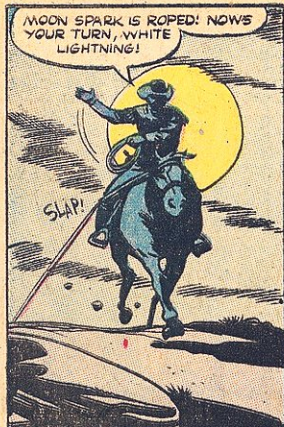
THERE'S LITTLE ELK'S SIGNAL!



: GASP! : I... MPPPHH!

SORRY, MOON SPARK! YOU'LL DO YOUR TALKING LATER!

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NO... HE'S NOT HERE!

I NEVER TRUSTED FIRE SPARK NOR HIS MILKY-GUTTED SON, MOON SPARK! MOON SPARK'S BETTER OFF DEAD!



THINK, MOON SPARK! WHAT DOES HE LOOK LIKE? YOU'VE GOT TO REMEMBER SOMETHING ABOUT HIM!

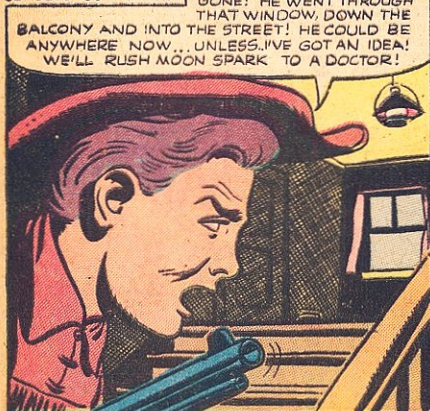
HIS MEMORY WILL TURN BLANK IN JUST A SECOND!



RED-FIRE! HE'S SHOT!

I SEE WHERE THE BULLETS CAME FROM! I'M GOING AFTER THE KILLER!

BUT SECONDS LATER...



GONE! HE WENT THROUGH THAT WINDOW, DOWN THE BALCONY AND INTO THE STREET! HE COULD BE ANYWHERE NOW... UNLESS I'VE GOT AN IDEA! WE'LL RUSH MOON SPARK TO A DOCTOR!

TEN MINUTES LATER, IN THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE...



HERE ARE THE BULLETS WHICH KILLED HIM! THEY WERE BOTH FIRED FROM THE SAME ARMY COLT REVOLVER!

THEN THE KILLER IS ONE OF THE GARRISON STATIONED HERE IN HERRICKSBURG! IF ALL THE MEN ARE MUSTERED OUT IMMEDIATELY FOR INSPECTION, THE KILLER'S GUN BARREL WOULD STILL BE WARM!

SHORTLY AFTER AT THE BARRACKS...



WHAT'S ALL THE EXCITEMENT ABOUT? WHY ASSEMBLY AT THIS TIME OF NIGHT?

SEARCH ME! THE CAPTAIN ORDERED A GENERAL INSPECTION!

I DON'T LIKE THE SMELL OF IT! I'M CLEARIN' OUT! I'LL DELIVER A LAST LOAD OF STUFF FROM THE ARSENAL... THEN A VAMOOSE TO CALIFORNIA! I'VE MILKED THIS SET-UP AS MUCH AS I COULD ANYWAY! IF I HANG AROUND, I'LL FACE A FIRIN' SQUAD FOR SURE!

A HALF-HOUR LATER...



ONLY ONE MAN DIDN'T MUSTER OUT! CORPORAL JEB HASKINS... WHO'S IN CHARGE OF THE POST ARSENAL?

I WAS IN CHARGE, CAPTAIN! HASKINS WAS SEEN A HALF HOUR AGO LEAVING THE STOCKADE WITH A WAGONLOAD OF SUPPLIES!

HASKINS LAST SALE TO BLUE FOOT!

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AN HOUR LATER, IN THE HILLS NEAR BLUE FOOT'S CAMP...

LET'S HOPE THIS HERB STAIN IS THE ONLY THING THAT REDDENS YOUR SKIN, RED FIRE! GOING BOLDLY INTO BLUE FOOT'S CAMP ALMOST GUARANTEES OUR DEATH!

NO, LITTLE ELK! I'M COUNTING ON FIRE SPARK TO SPLIT BLUE FOOT'S CAMP! FIRE SPARK IS CONFUSED—NOT EVIL! WHEN HE HEARS OF HIS SON'S MURDER, HIS GOOD SENSE WILL RETURN!



MEANWHILE, NEAR BLUE FOOT'S COUNCIL FIRES...

FINE GUNS! TOO BAD YOUR USEFULNESS COMES TO AN EARLY END, HASKINS! MEN! SEIZE HIM!

W. WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? GIVE ME MY DOUGH, AN' LET ME GO!

THE RENEGADE IS RIGHT, BLUE FOOT! YOU MADE A BARGAIN WITH HASKINS! PAY HIM, AND LET HIM DEPART!



HE'LL DEPART, FIRE SPARK—IN FLAMES! TIE HIM TO THE STAKE! WE'LL BURN HIM ALIVE WHILE WE PLAN OUR NEXT RAID!

N... NO! NO!

WHAT IS THIS SAVAGERY, BLUE FOOT? THIS BLOOD-THIRSTINESS? YESTERDAY ATTACK ON THE STAGE... AND NOW...



YOU ARE A SENTIMENTAL FOOL, FIRE SPARK! WE ARE AGAINST EVERYBODY! WE MUST INSPIRE TERROR IN OUR ENEMIES!

THEN WE BECOME BUTCHERS! MURDERERS! WE CANNOT HOPE TO RALLY THE INDIAN NATIONS TO THE SIDE OF BANDITS AND KILLERS!



SILENCE, FIRE SPARK! I AM LEADER HERE, AND I WILL HAVE MY WAY! SET FIRE TO THE STAKE! WATCHING A SOLDIER BURN WILL GIVE OUR BRAVES COURAGE!

N...NO! NO! HELP! HELP!



QUICK, LITTLE ELK! HASKINS MAY BE A TRAITOR, BUT WE CAN'T LET HIM DIE SO HORRIBLY! ONE BOLD STROKE AND WE CAN RESCUE HIM!

B...BUT WHO WILL RESCUE US?



RELEASE HASKINS, OR MORE THAN HE SHALL DIE THIS EVENING!

SAVE ME, KID! SAVE ME!



VERY WELL, HASKINS! YOU WON'T BURN, BUT YOU DIE JUST THE SAME! AND YOUR WOULD-BE RESCUERS WILL JOIN YOU!

EEEE!



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BLUE FOOT DECEIVES YOU, FIRE SPARK! HE IS ONLY OUT TO ENRICH HIMSELF, THOUGH EVEN NOW THE U.S. ARMY MARCHES AGAINST YOU; YOUR SON, MOON SPARK LIES DEAD IN HERRICKSBURG, A VICTIM OF HASKIN'S BULLET!

YOU ARE RIGHT! FORCE AND BLOODSHED LEAD TO DOOM, NOT VICTORY! ALL THOSE WHO HAVE FOLLOWED ME TO BLUE FOOT'S CAMP ...GO BACK TO THE RESERVATION!

YOU TALKED YOURSELF INTO A GRAVE, FIRE SPARK!

Y... YOU SEE, BRAVES? HERE IS PROOF... BLUE FOOT DESTROYS THOSE WHO STAND IN W. WAY OF HIS AMBITION!

NO! WE WILL NOT LIVE OR DIE FOR BLUE FOOT'S SAKE! RESIST! RESIST!

THERE GO THE TWO MISCHIEF-MAKERS—UP THE CLIFF SIDE! SLAY THEM!

GLADLY! MURDERER! RESIST!

MINUTES LATER AT THE CLIFF...

THESE BOULDERS OUGHT TO STOP THEM!

LOOK OUT, RED-FIRE! YOU ARE STARTING AN AVALANCHE!

I DIDN'T MEAN TO KILL BLUE FOOT! I WANTED HIM ALIVE, BUT FATE WRITES ITS OWN ENDING!

AAGG!

AAAAGG!

LATER, AS DAWN CAME UP...THE DAWN OF A BETTER DAY...

WE SHALL SURRENDER TO THE ARMY GARRISON! THOUGH WE DESERVE PUNISHMENT, WE STILL WILL ASK FOR A PARDON TO RETURN TO OUR RESERVATION!

YOU'LL GET MY PARDON, FIRE SPARK! YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH ENOUGH! TOO BAD WE WERE TOO LATE! VIOLENCE LEADS NOT TO VICTORY, BUT TO DEATH!

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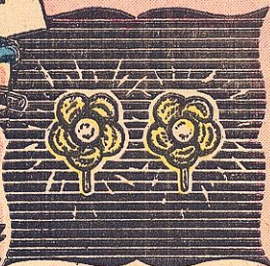


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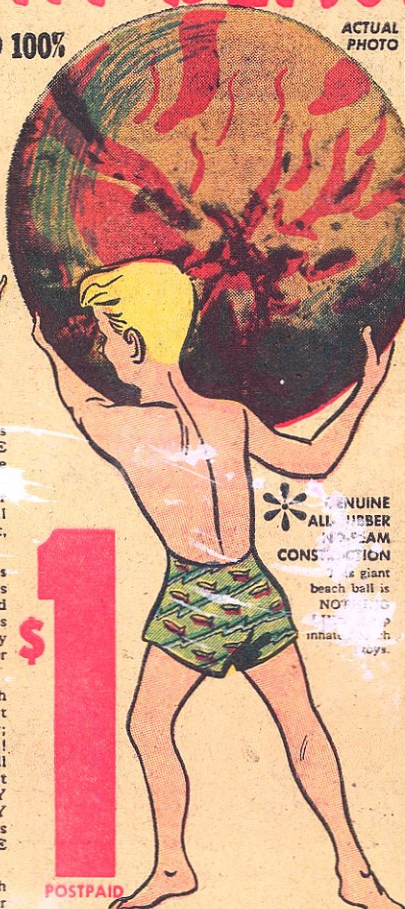


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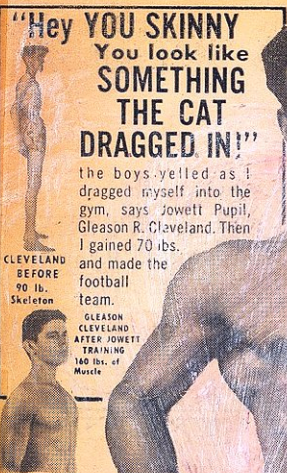
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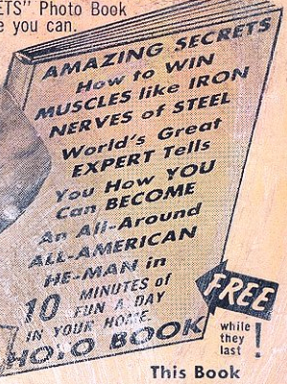
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